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Please amend the subject application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification at page 1, lines 5-10 to read as follows:

-- This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/228,208, filed April 15, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 6,090,914, issued July 18, 2000, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/008,898, filed January 22, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,770,197, issued June 23, 1998, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 07/723,617, filed June 27, 1991, now abandoned; ~~U.S. Serial No. 09/603,825, filed June 26, 2000, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/014,761, filed January 28, 1998, which claims priority of U.S. Serial No. 60/036,594, filed January 31, 1997, now abandoned, and U.S. Serial No. 08/539,436, filed October 5, 1995, now U.S. Serial No. 6,132,992, issued October 17, 2000;~~ the contents of all of which are hereby incorporated by referenced, in their entirety, into the present application. --